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SUBJECT:CCD: CREATION OF WORKING GROPS

REF: GENEVA 5472

1. AS RECOMMENDED REFTEL, ACDA/MA CONTACTED APPROPRIATE OFFICERS FROM CANADIAN, NETHERLANDS AND ITALIAN EMBASSIES ON JULY 7 AND MADE PRESENTATION ALONG FOLLOWING LINES:

A. THE CCD HELD AN INFORMAL MEETING ON THE AFTERNOON OF JULY 6 TO DISCUSS ITS SEHEDULE OF WORK FOR THE SUMMER SESSION WHICH JUST OPENED ON JULY 5.
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B. AT THE INFORMAL MEETING YOUR DELEGATE TO THE CCD STRONGLY SUPPORTED THE IDEA OF ESTABLISHING AD HOC CCD WORKING GROUP, TO CONSIDER COMPREHENSIVE NUCLEAR TEST BAN (CTB) AND CHEMICAL WEAPONS (CW) THROUGHOUT THIS SESSION.

C. UNDER THE CCD PROCEDURES, THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SUCH

WORKING GROUPS CLEARLY SIGNALS THE START OF MULTILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS.

D. USG DOES NOT BELIEVE THAT AN ADEQUATE BASIS HAS BEEN DEVELOPED YET ON THESE ISSUES TO START MULTILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS AND, THEREFORE, THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CCD WORKING GROUPS ON THESE ISSUES IS NOT YET JUSTIFIED.

E. ALSO, THE USG BELIEVES THAT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF WORKING GROUPS AT THIS TIME WOULD MAKE IT MORE DIFFICULT TO MAKE PROGRESS IN THE BILATERAL (US-USSR) EFFORTS ON CW WHICH ARE CURRENTLY UNDERWAY IN GENEVA, AND ON THE TRILATERAL (US, UK, USSR) EFFORTS ON CTB SCHEDULED TO START NEXT WEEK.

F. THE ISSUE OF ESTABLISHING CTB AND CW WORKING GROUPS IN THE CCD WILL COME UP AGAIN IN AN INFORMAL SESSION AT 10:30 AM ON JULY 8. IN CONSIDERING THE POSITION OF YOUR GOVERNMENT ON THIS ISSUE, WE WOULD ASK THAT YOU TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE USG VIEW THAT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CTB AND CW WORKING GROUPS IN THE CCD AT THIS TIME WOULD BE PREMATURE AND COULD IMPOSE A BARRIER TO PRESENT EFFORTS TO DEVELOP BASIS IN ORDER TO MOVE ISSUES INTO CCD FOR MULTILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS.

G. AT THIS POINT IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO JUDGE WHEN THE
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TIME WILL BE RIPE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SUCH CCD WORKING GROUPS, BUT WE WOULD EXPECT OUR CCD DELEGATIONS TO CONTINUE THEIR NORMAL CLOSE CONSULTATIONS ON THIS MATTER.

2. CANADIAN EMBASSY (NUTTING) CONTACTED OTTAWA IMMEDIATELY AND PROVIDED FOLLOWING RESPONSE:

A. GOC APPRECIATES US CONCERNS.

B. IN ENCOURAGING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CCD WORKING GROUP THE GOC NEVER INTENDED THAT THIS WORKING GROUP WOULD HAVE SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES AT THIS TIME.

C. WHILE CANADA HAD SUGGESTED THAT CCD WORKING GROUP ON CW START ITS WORK ON CERTAIN NON-CONTROVERSIAL QUESTIONS, CANADA WAS NOT A PRIME PUSHER OF CTB WORKING GROUP.

D. GOC MOTIVATION REFLECTS ASSESSMENT THAT CONTINUED HOLDING PATTERN ON PRIORITY ISSUES DURING CCD SUMMER SESSION, WHICH WAS SUGGESTED BY US DEL, WOULD GIVE

CCD VIRTUALLY NOTHING TO DO AND WOULD RESULT IN CCD GOING TO UN THIS FALL WITH EMPTY PLATTER. IN GOC VIEW CREATION OF CW WORKING GROUP WITH MANDATE LIMITED TO EXPLORING DEFINITIONS WOULD HELP CCD BUILD RECORD, BUT WOULD NOT COMPROMISE SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES UNDER CONSIDERATION IN US-USSR BILATERALS.

E. GOC IS SENDING TELEGRAM TO ITS CCD DEL TO TAKE US-USSR BILATERALS ON CW, AND US, UK, USSR TRILATERALS ON CTB INTO ACCOUNT WITH RESPECT TO CCD WORKING GROUP ISSUE, AND TO CONSULT FURTHER WITH US CCD DEL ON MATTER PRIOR TO JULY 8 CCD INFORMAL.

3. NETHERLANDS EMBASSY (ROOSDORP) INDICATED THAT HE CONFIDENTIAL

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WOULD REPORT US DEMARCHE IMMEDIATELY TO THE HAGUE WITH RECOMMENDATION THAT NETHERLANDS CCD DEL NOT PRESS ISSUE AT THIS TIME.

4. ITALIAN EMBASSY (JACOBUCCI) REPORTED US DEMARCHE TO FERRETTI (HEAD OF FOREIGN MINISTRY DISARMAMENT DIVISION) IN ROME WHO RESPONDED THAT ITALIANS DO NOT WISH TO CAUSE PROBLEMS, HAD INTENDED TO PREEMPT POSSIBLE PROPOSALS BY OTHERS WHICH MIGHT INVOLVE CW WORKING GROUP IN SUBSTANTIVE ASPECTS, AND THAT HE WILL INSTRUCT ITALIAN CCD DEL NOT TO PRESS ISSUE WITH SBCH V, GOR AT THIS TIME. VANCE

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